GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3244
ANSWERED ON:15.04.2008
SARKARIA COMMISSION
Reddy Shri Karunakara G.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to review the recommendations of Sarkaria Commission;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received a number of suggestions from various State Governments on the report submitted by the Sarkaria Commission in 1988;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) the time by when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) to (e): The Government of India had constituted a Commission in June, 1983 under the chairmanship of Justice R.S. Sarkaria to examine and review the working of the arrangements between the Union and States in regard to powers, functions and responsibilities in all spheres and recommend such changes or other measures as may be appropriate. In its report submitted in 1988, the Commission made 247 recommendations. The Inter-State Council, which includes all the Chief Ministers and Administrators of States and Union Territories respectively, has already considered and taken a final view on all the recommendations through consensus. Government has accepted and implemented 179 recommendations, which were accepted by the Inter-State Council. 65 recommendations have not been accepted either by the Inter-State Council or the Union Government.